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Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee

Second report of the Credentials Committee

Chair: Mr. Pablo Antonio **Thalassinós** (Panama)

1. The Credentials Committee held its second meeting on 20 October 2011.

2. The Chair recalled that the first report of the Credentials Committee, of 14 September 2011 (A/66/360), had been approved by the General Assembly pursuant to resolution 66/1.

3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General dated 19 October 2011, concerning the credentials of representatives of Member States to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly, other than the credentials of the representatives considered by the Committee at its 1st meeting, on 14 September 2011 (see A/66/360).

4. The representative of the Legal Counsel made a statement relating to the memorandum by the Secretary-General.

5. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum and updated in the statement made by the representative of the Legal Counsel, formal credentials in the form required by rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly had been received from the following 129 States: Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Dominica, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia,

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Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Tuvalu, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zambia and Zimbabwe.

6. As indicated in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, information concerning the appointment of the representatives of those States to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly has been communicated to the Secretary-General, by means of a facsimile communication from the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by means of a letter or note verbale from the Permanent Mission concerned, by the following 47 Member States: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Bulgaria, Central African Republic, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Fiji, Greece, Grenada, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, India, Iraq, Kenya, Kiribati, Mauritania, Micronesia (Federated States of), Niger, Nigeria, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Togo, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam and Yemen.

7. The Chair proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee on the understanding that formal credentials for representatives of the Member States referred to in paragraph 6 of the present report would be communicated to the Secretary-General as soon as possible:

"*The Credentials Committee*,

"*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the second report of the Credentials Committee,

"*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of the Member States concerned."

8. The draft resolution proposed by the Chair was adopted without a vote.

9. The Chair then proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution entitled "Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly" (see para. 11). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

10. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the General Assembly.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

11. The Credentials Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Having considered the second report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

Approves the second report of the Credentials Committee.